Adult Alternatives to Incarceration (AI) Policy

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I. Policy:

Adult Alternatives to Incarceration (AI) Probation is a supervision approach intended for probationers who are considered to be at the highest risk to reoffend, are participating in problem solving courts, are on probation or are completing a term of incarceration for a crime requiring a "split sentence" and shall be the first priority of supervision resources for the Nebraska Probation System (including Interstate Compact In: Receiving Transfer cases.) This supervision level is most successful when a highly intensive level of supervision is utilized in conjunction with the appropriate cognitive behavioral interventions, treatment services, and monitoring.

The following probationers shall be considered for Adult Alternatives to Incarceration (AI) Probation supervision:

- A. Probationers identified through a valid assessment instrument to be at the highest risk for recidivism.
- B. Probationers involved in the "Reframe" Program
- C. Probationers involved in Specialized Substance Abuse Supervision (SSAS)
- D. Probationers on post-release supervision probation.
- E. Those individuals involved in Problem-solving Courts.

II. Purpose

To provide a foundation for Adult Alternatives to Incarceration (AI) Probation.

III. Reference

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 47-619

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-2252

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-2264

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-2266

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-2266.01 (2)

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-2266.02 (2)

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-2267

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-2268

Supreme Court Rules § 6-1201 to §6-1209

Supreme Court Rule § 6-1904

IV. Procedure

- A. Adult Alternatives to Incarceration (AI) Probation level of supervision is established during the investigation stage, or after sentencing, if it is a direct probation or an individual subject to a split sentence and post-release supervision probation. Probationers shall be advised of Adult Alternatives to Incarceration (AI) Probation expectations relating to the program to which they are assigned as part of the initial intake into probation, post-release supervision or Problem-solving Court.
- B. Each probationer shall have an individualized plan for case management clearly articulated as part of the file documentation, addressing problems and identifying appropriate interventions as determined during the assessment of risk and needs at intake, during the PSI or as part of the post-release supervision planning efforts. Probation officers shall facilitate an appropriate dosage of services, and utilize the responsivity principle for all AI probationers and participants.
- C. Because Adult Alternatives to Incarceration encompasses several programs, a special approach to management of these cases is taken and special programming is used in targeting these unique needs based on the program in which they are involved.
- D. All probation officers supervising an Adult Alternatives to Incarceration (AI) Probation case shall have the appropriate probation experience, training, and skills.

E. Services

Services are the resources necessary to address and reduce criminogenic risk factors and recidivism. Service delivery is accomplished through a variety of methods including staff delivery, as well as brokering and contracting with agencies in the community. Some of these services include but are not limited to:

- 1. Reporting Centers
- 2. The Standardized Model for the Delivery of Substance-Abuse Services
- 3. Fee for Service Voucher Assistance
- 4. Continuous Alcohol Monitoring Financial Assistance
- 5. Cognitive Groups
- 6. Substance Abuse Testing
- 7. Electronic Monitoring/GPS
- 8. Victim Services
- F. Alternatives to Incarceration (AI)

- Adult probationers involved in Alternatives to Incarceration programming have been targeted to be at the highest level of supervision by the Nebraska Probation Administration.
- 2. The first priority of supervision resources by the Nebraska Probation Administration shall be the case management of these cases. Probation officers will use all available interventions pertinent to high level of assessed risk, specific to the program in which the probationer is involved, related to and precipitating criminogenic behaviors, and/or as ordered by the Court. Probationers in Alternatives to Incarceration (AI) programming probationers will be intensively supervised.
- 3. Caseload size for an Adult Alternatives to Incarceration (AI) consisting of specifically IA level cases should not exceed suggested caseload levels consistent with the Nebraska Probation System's Community Safety Impact Model.
- 4. Adult Alternatives to Incarceration (AI) probationers shall be advised of the expectations of their individual IA program as part of their intake onto probation.
- 5. All probation officers supervising an Adult Alternative to Incarceration (AI) Probation case shall have the appropriate probation experience, training, and skills.